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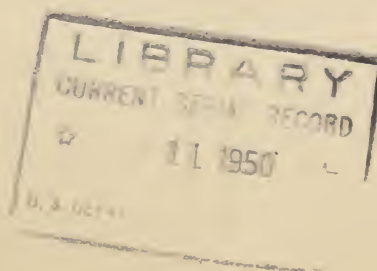
COTTON QUALITY REPORT FOR GINNINGS OF AMERICAN-EGYPTIAN 1948 CROP

AMERICAN-EGYPTIAN (SXP) COTTON GINNED IN THE UNITED STATES THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, 1948, TOTALLED 2,806 BALES ACCORDING TO THE BUREAU OF THE CENSUS. GINNINGS TO MID-SEASON THIS YEAR CONTAINED A LITTLE LARGER PROPORTION OF THE TWO TOP GRADES THAN IN THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD A YEAR AGO ACCORDING TO THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE. APPROXIMATELY 83 PERCENT OF CURRENT GINNINGS WAS GRADES 1 AND 1-1/2 AND ABOUT 16 PERCENT WAS GRADES 2 AND 2-1/2 COMPARED WITH PERCENTAGES OF ABOUT 79 AND 20 RESPECTIVELY A YEAR AGO. THERE WAS ABOUT THE SAME PROPORTION OF STAPLES 1-1/2" AND LONGER IN BOTH CROPS, 96 PERCENT THIS SEASON AGAINST 98 PERCENT LAST.

ARIZONA: GINNINGS THROUGH NOVEMBER THIS SEASON CONTAINED ABOUT 77 PERCENT GRADES 1 AND 1-1/2, 22 PERCENT GRADES 2 AND 2-1/2 AND 1 PERCENT GRADES 3 AND 3-1/2. LAST SEASON THE TWO TOP GRADES ACCOUNTED FOR ABOUT 67 PERCENT OF GINNINGS AND 33 PERCENT FELL IN THE GRADES 2 AND 2-1/2 CATEGORY WITH NO COTTON GRADE 3 OR LOWER. VIRTUALLY ALL GINNINGS DURING BOTH SEASONS WERE 1-1/2" AND LONGER.

DISTRICT 6 OF TEXAS: MID-SEASON GINNINGS PRIOR TO DECEMBER THIS YEAR CONTAINED APPROXIMATELY 85 PERCENT GRADES 1 AND 1-1/2 WITH SLIGHTLY LESS THAN 15 PERCENT GRADES 2 AND 2-1/2. IN THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR THESE GRADES CONSTITUTED APPROXIMATELY 81 PERCENT AND 19 PERCENT RESPECTIVELY OF THE CROP. ABOUT 95 PERCENT OF CURRENT GINNINGS WAS 1-1/2" AND LONGER COMPARED WITH ABOUT 98 PERCENT A YEAR AGO.

THIS IS THE FIRST IN A SERIES OF TWO PRELIMINARY REPORTS SHOWING THE QUALITY OF AMERICAN-EGYPTIAN (SXP) GINNINGS AT ABOUT MID-SEASON. THE SECOND REPORT WILL BE ISSUED ON MARCH 21, AND WILL COVER THE TOTAL CROP.



GRADE AND STAPLE LENGTH	1947		1948**		1947		1948**		1947		1948**	
	PCT.	SEASON THRU NOVEMBER 30	PCT.	SEASON THRU NOVEMBER 30	PCT.	SEASON THRU NOVEMBER 30	PCT.	SEASON THRU NOVEMBER 30	PCT.	SEASON THRU NOVEMBER 30	PCT.	SEASON THRU NOVEMBER 30
1	10.8	19.8			36.2	57.2			33.4	48.5		
1-1/2	55.8	57.5			44.7	27.5			46.0	34.4		
2	32.3	18.6			16.6	12.6			18.3	14.0		
2-1/2	1.1	3.0			2.2	2.1			2.1	2.3		
3		1.0			.3	.4			.2	.6		
3-1/21				.2				.2		
4												
4-1/2												
5 AND BELOW												
ALL GRADES	100.0	100.0			100.0	100.0			100.0	100.0		
LENGTH (INCHES)												
1-9/32 AND SHORTER.												
1-5/16 AND 1-11/32.												
1-3/8 AND 1-13/32.												
1-7/16 AND 1-15/32.												
1-1/2 AND 1/17/32.	95.7	.4			2.5	4.9			2.2	3.9		
1-9/16 AND LONGER	4.3	90.8			79.7	84.1			81.5	85.6		
		8.8			17.8	11.0			16.3	10.5		
ALL LENGTHS	100.0	100.0			100.0	100.0			100.0	100.0		

* LESS THAN 0.05 PERCENT

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